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SINGAPORE FOR AMBASSADOR WRIGGINS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, CE

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR WRIGGINS' REMARKS FOR CREDENTIALS  
CEREMONY

REF: COLOMBO 2881

1. WE BELIEVE THAT DRAFT TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS IS A  
GOOD ONE AND REQUIRES ONLY LIMITED CHANGES. OUR SUGGESTIONS  
FOLLOW BELOW, THE FINAL TEXT SUBJECT, OF COURSE, TO AMBASSA-  
DOR WRIGGINS' CONCURRENCE.

2. RE. REFTEL PARA 2: (A) DELETE WHOLE SENTENCE BEGINNING -  
"IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS.....CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY". (B)  
FURTHER BELOW, AFTER ".....DEDICATION TO RIGHTS AND LIBER-  
TIES", AMEND AS FOLLOWS: "IT IS HEARTENING FOR ME TO KNOW  
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THAT THE COMMITMENT WE SHARE TO THESE PRINCIPLES WILL PRO-  
VIDE AN IMPORTANT FOUNDATION FOR CONTINUED CORDIAL AND CO-  
OPERATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN SRI LANKA AND THE UNITED STATES".  
(C) DELETE THE SEVERAL SENTENCES BEGINNING IN REFTEL TEXT  
WITH: "IT IS HEARTENING FOR ME TO OBSERVE THAT FEW COUNTRIES  
...AND A WIDESPREAD NETWORK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT". SUB-  
STITUTE FOR THIS DELETED SECTION, AS DIRECT FOLLOW - ON TO

NEW SENTENCE LISTED ABOVE IN POINT (B) BUT AS NEW PARAGRAPH,

THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH - "SRI LANKA'S CONCERN FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE IS ALSO A FEATURE WHICH DISTINGUISHES YOUR COUNTRY IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD. YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN THIS AREA HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS AND REMARKABLE, AND THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN HAPPY TO CONTRIBUTE WITH OTHER NATIONS TO YOUR EFFORTS IN REALIZING THESE NOTABLE GAINS".

3. FOLLOW DIRECTLY WITH TWO PARAGRAPHS AS GIVEN: "YET, WE LIVE IN A WORLD OF CHANGING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORDERS, IN WHICH GOVERNMENTS MUST GRAPPLE WITH PROBLEMS THAT CHALLENGE NOT ONLY PAST ACHIEVEMENTS BUT FUTURE OBJECTIVES AS WELL. YOUR GOVERNMENT AND MINE HAVE COME TO FOCUS MORE ATTENTION ON THE BASIC QUESTIONS OF HOW TO EXPAND THEIR COUNTRIES ECONOMIES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE GREATER EMPLOYMENT AND TO SECURE THE NECESSITIES OF LIFE WITHOUT THE DESTRUCTIVE EFFECTS OF PRICE INFLATION. THE SOLUTIONS ARE NOT EASY BUT THEY MUST BE FOUND, PRIMARILY AS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH COUNTRY, BUT ALSO AS A PROBLEM OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION".

4. "SRI LANKA'S ROLE IN PROMOTING AND FACILITATING DIALOGUE ON THESE FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING WORLDS IS A SIGNIFICANT ONE. THE UNITED STATES HAS WELCOMED IT AND I WILL PLEDGE MY EFFORTS TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FURTHER A MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING ON ISSUES WHICH WILL AFFECT OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND WHOSE RESOLUTION BY THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS WILL DETERMINE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR WORLD".

5. REMAINING TWO PARAGRAPHS IN REFTEL: "MR. PRESIDENT, AS YOU KNOW..." (B) "AND SO, MR. PRESIDENT....", ARE FINE. CHRISTOPHER

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